Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the instant application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A method of arranging user-modified variable names in a presentation list, comprising the steps of:

receiving a system request to display variables in the presentation list; [[and]]

sorting the variables by giving user-named variables greater priority over system-named variables and then sorting by a second attribute; and.

simultaneously presenting the user-named variables and system-named variables, wherein presentment of the user-named variables and system-named variables comprises at least one of presenting each of the user-named variables in a first region of the list and each of the system-named variables in a second region of the list distinct from the first region and presenting the user-named variable in a first format and the system-named variables in a second format distinct from the first format.

2. (Currently Amended)   The method of claim 1, wherein the ~~method further comprises~~ the step of presenting comprises displaying the variables when a user selects the variables using a drop-down control.

3. (Cancelled)

4. (Currently Amended)   The method of claim [[3]] 1, wherein the step of ~~distinguishing~~ presenting is accomplished using at least one among labeling and text formatting.

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5. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the second criteria is an alphabetical order.

6. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the second criteria is a chronological order.

7. (Currently Amended)   A system for arranging user-modified variable names in a presentation list comprises:

a memory; and

a processor programmed to receive a system request to display the variables from the memory in the presentation list, [[and]] to sort the variables by giving user-named variables greater priority over system-named variables and then ~~sorting~~ sort the variables by a second criteria, and to simultaneously present the user-named variables and system-named variables, wherein presentment of the variables comprises at least one of presenting each of the user-named variables in a first region of the list and each of the system-named variables in a second region of the list distinct from the first region and presenting the user-named variable in a first format and the system-named variables in a second format distinct from the first format.

8. (Original) The system of claim 7, wherein the processor is further programmed to display the variables when a user selects the variables using a drop-down control.

9. (Cancelled)

10. (Currently Amended) The system of claim [[9]] 7, wherein the processor distinguishes between the user-named variable and the system-named variable by using at least one among labeling and text formatting.

11. (Original)   The system of claim 7, wherein the second criteria is an alphabetical order.

12. (Original)   The system of claim 7, wherein the second criteria is a chronological order.

13. (Original)   The system of claim 7, wherein the presentation list is at least one among a drop-down list and a list box.

14. (Currently Amended) A machine-readable storage, having stored thereon a computer program having a plurality of code sections executable by a machine for causing the machine to perform the steps of:

    receiving a system request to display variables in a presentation list [[and]];

    sorting the variables by giving user named variables greater priority over system named variables and then sorting by a second attribute; and

    simultaneously presenting the user-named variables and system-named variables, wherein presentment of the user-named variables and system-named variables comprises at least one of presenting each of the user-named variables in a first region of the list and each of the system-named variables in a second region of the list distinct from the first region and presenting the user-named variable in a first format and the system-named variables in a second format distinct from the first format.

15. (Original)   The machine-readable storage of claim 14, wherein the machine-readable storage is further programmed to sort by the second criteria being an alphabetical order.

16. (Original)   The machine-readable storage of claim 14, wherein the machine-readable storage is further programmed to sort by the second criteria being a chronological order.